Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Thursday 19 Aug 2021 until 23:59 on Friday 20 Aug 2021

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 18 Aug 2021 at 16:25 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: Low for extent of low cloud on Thursday and Friday. Changeable conditions are likely to develop over the weekend but very low confidence for extent of rainfall and low cloud.

Headline for Thursday 19 Aug 2021: Mostly cloudy, chance of the odd light shower in the north

Mountain weather hazards on Thursday 19 Aug 2021

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy Snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales No Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** No Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Low Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** Medium Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
FOG							
Fog	Cloudy	Cloudy	Cloudy	Dull	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Cloudy
Precipitation probability							
10%	10%	10%	10%	10%	10%	10%	<05%

Forecast for Thursday 19 Aug 2021

Weather: Many ranges will have a dry and rather cloudy day. A light shower possible across Caithness and Sutherland through the day.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 80%

Visibility: Poor in low cloud down to 700 metres across the south approximately south of the A87 in the morning, but this should mostly break up and lift by the afternoon. Elsewhere cloud mostly above 900 metres and well broken, and good visibility outside of cloud.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	4/5 N	4/6 NE	7/9 E	8/11 E	4/7 E	7/9 N	7/10 NE	11/15 E	11/14 SE
900	4/5 N	5/7 NE	7/9 E	8/11 E	4/7 E	7/9 N	6/8 NE	11/15 E	11/15 SE
600	4/5 N	3/5 NE	5/8 NE	7/9 E	4/6 E	7/10 N	5/7 NE	9/14 SE	10/13 SE
300	3/5 N	3/7 NE	4/9 NE	5/9 E	3/6 E	4/7 NE	4/8 N	5/10 E	5/11 E
Glen	6/7 N	4/7 NE	5/9 NE	6/9 E	2/4 W	5/9 N	6/9 N	5/7 E	6/9 E

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	5/4	5/4	5/2	5/3	7/6	8/6	8/6	7/4	6/3
900	6/5	6/4	6/3	6/4	8/7	9/7	9/7	8/5	7/4
600	8/7	8/7	8/6	9/7	11/10	11/10	11/10	10/8	10/8
300	10/10	10/10	10/9	12/11	14/14	15/14	14/14	12/11	11/10
Glen	13/12	12/12	13/12	14/13	16/16	17/16	16/15	14/14	14/12
Freezing Level*	2200m	2100m	2000m	2000m	2000m	2000m	2100m	2100m	2100m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Best chance of prolonged cloud free summits will be in the north of the region. Feeling rather cold at height under cloud cover.

Forecast for Friday 20 Aug 2021

Weather: Mainly dry with a fair amount of cloud, perhaps an isolated light shower at first in the south. Rain may spread from the southwest in the evening but low confidence in this aspect.

Maximum wind: Southerly 15 mph

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 80%

Visibility: Poor in areas of low cloud down to 700 metres at first, this chiefly across the south and east of the region. This will mostly disperse by early afternoon. Cloud may lower to 700 metres in the northeast of the region in evening rain later.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 8 rising to 18 Celsius
At 800m: Plus 10 Celsius
Freezing level: Above summits

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